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Team cuts hospital admission numbers

THE number of Wyre Forest patients admitted to hospital has fallen by eight per cent in eight months after a new system to enable more people to be treated in their own homes was introduced.

The district is bucking the national trend which is seen a rise in the number of hospital admissions.

GPs, district nurses and community care staff are working together to reduce the number of people taken to hospital.

Where possible patients with chronic illnesses are treated in their own homes and visited by nurses.

Between April and November there were 5,534 emergency admissions for patients from the district compared with 6,058 during the same period in 2010.

The Admission Prevention Team was set up by the Wyre Forest Clinical Commissioning Group, the new organisation with responsibility for shaping healthcare in Wyre Forest.

Chairman Dr Tony De Cothi said: "This is a remarkable achievement."

A meeting on healthcare will be held at Kidderminster Town Hall on March 27.

Man dies in canal horror

AN inquest has opened on a Kidderminster man who died after falling into a canal, despite attempts to save him.

The drama happened near Weavers Wharf, Kidderminster.

A passer-by spotted John Evans, aged 44, of Tomkinson Drive, in the canal on February 14 and pulled him out of the water. An ambulance crew battled to resuscitate Mr Evans but he was pronounced dead at hospital.

An inquest was opened on Monday, and adjourned for further investigations.

TOWN PINS TRAFFIC HOPES ON LINK ROAD

By Heather Large

WYRE FOREST residents who have long campaigned for a relief road are now hoping that a cheaper link road will be built to ease traffic congestion.

The hoped-for relief road in Stourport was scuppered when the Government's transport minister Norman Baker said the project would be too expensive.

Residents are now pinning their hopes on possible plans for a link road to provide access to a proposed new business park. Thousands of people have signed petitions over the years calling for a relief road to ease traffic congestion.

Cowboy car clampers are sent to jail

FIVE members of a car clamping operation, including a Kidderminster man, which used motorists "as a licence to print money" have been jailed for a total of almost eight years.

Worcester Crown Court heard that, Andrew Minshull, Debbie Worton, Simon Barry, Christopher Cartwright and Faisal Qadeer had "milked" the public out of up to £500,000.

Minshull, 38, of Hatfield Close, Redditch; Worton, 43, of Longdon Close, Redditch; Barry, 38, of Lilac Close, Evesham; Cartwright, 31, of Salisbury Drive, Kidderminster; and Qadeer, 35, of Mount Pleasant, Redditch, all pleaded guilty to conspiracy to defraud in January.

The court heard that Minshull's firm, Redditch-based Midland Parking Contracts, targeted the vulnerable. Minshull was jailed for 32 months. His ex-partner Debbie Worton was given 12 months. Barry, who took part in clamping was given 21 months, while Cartwright and Qadeer, who selected victims, were jailed for 15 months.

Prosecutor Anthony Potter outlined how the firm intimidated drivers into paying up to £335 to unclamp vehicles and "cancel" tow-trucks. Money was demanded before clamps had been applied, and unlit signs were used at night.

The cost of a relief road was estimated at £75 million and in a meeting with Wyre Forest MP Mark Garnier, Mr Baker cast doubt on plans.

He admitted they were unlikely to move forward in years to come.

After the meeting Mr Garnier said a road could instead be built as part of developments at the old Sugar Beet site in Kidderminster.

But he admitted it would not tackle the problem of traffic moving through Stourport.

Mr Garnier said he remained hopeful that reduced plans that did not include the road crossing the River Severn could be considered again at some time in the future.

Attention

It was envisaged that the relief road would run from the A451 Kidderminster to Stourport road, north of the town, and round the back of Manor Farm.

Under the plans, the road would then have crossed the Hartlebury and Worcester roads before making use of the old railway line.

It would have crossed the River Severn near the breakwater before rejoining the A451 in Areley Kings.

Mr Garnier is now turning his attention to the idea of a road that would link Stourport Road through the Sugar Beet site and join up with Worcester Road.

Mr Garnier said: "Some positive points came from the meeting, but it is the case that the relief road plans would cost too much at this time."

"There could be scope for a reduced project that would be much cheaper – perhaps around £8m."

Stourport suffers from severe congestion during rush hour traffic and the fear is that this could stifle local businesses.

Bridging the gap for wildlife



Head gardener Michael Darvill at the new wildlife pool at Arley Arboretum

A NEW attraction for visitors is being created at a beauty spot near Kidderminster.

A wildlife pool has been built which will encourage plants and insect species at Arley Arboretum. A waterfall will link the new pool with one that already exists there, and a bridge will allow people to walk over the

area without disturbing the wildlife. Staff and volunteers at the arboretum are getting the new feature ready for spring.

As well as being attractive, the waterfall will help amphibians cross between the two pools. The new pool has been filled with rainwater so wildlife will colonise it more quickly.

Move on safety at site of tragedy

FINAL designs are being drawn up for safety measures along the Stourport Canal.

British Waterways has been working on a scheme to install a handrail on the narrow bridge at the canal following the death of a 12-year-old boy last June.

Robert Fidoe plunged into the water while riding his bike over the bridge, and was unable to get out again.

Bosses today said work on the safety measures was progressing with the design now nearing completion.

An application for permission to install the rail at the bridge, which is more than 100 years old and historically important, will be sent to Wyre Forest District Council.

Spokesman Nayna Tarver said: "We are finalising the design for the handrails now. The application will then be made to the council. Hopefully we can start work as soon as possible."

A temporary handrail has been installed at the bridge.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded on Robert Fidoe, 12, by Worcestershire Coroner Geraint Williams, who was concerned about a lack of life-saving equipment in place at the time.

British Waterways has since installed life-lines and rings at the site which are constantly monitored.

Fair boost for jobless

WYRE FOREST MP Mark Garnier is organising a jobs fair at Kidderminster Town Hall.

Some of Wyre Forest's biggest employers will be at the event on March 29. Smaller firms, the armed services and employment agencies will also be there.

Mr Garnier said: "I wanted to link those looking for staff with those looking for work."

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Tributes paid to an inspirational war vet

A VETERAN of the Second World War who survived five years in German prison camps, has died aged 92.

Charles Waite's friends paid tribute to the "inspirational" former soldier from Kidderminster who they said had shown "remarkable courage" throughout his life. Mr Waite was born in Essex in 1919 and was called up to the Queen's Royal Regiment in October 1939. He was captured by the Germans near Abbeville, France, a year later.

He was marched to Trier and then transported by cattle truck to East Prussia and a camp attached to Stalag 20B near Marienberg.

In 1945 Mr Waite began a gruelling 1,600 mile march along the Baltic coast before being liberated by American troops near Berlin.

Award

After the war he married his sweetheart, Lily Mathers, and they set up a greengrocery round.

His only child Brian was born in 1946 and Mr Waite went to work as a van driver for Macarthy's Pharmaceuticals in Romford. The family moved to Kidderminster in 1972 and he retired after 34 years with the firm.

After losing his son Brian in November 2006, followed by Lily, after 62 years of marriage, in August 2007, he became a member of the National ex-Prisoner of War Association.

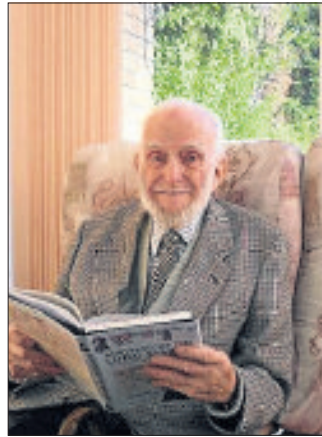
by Heather Large

In 2010 at 91, he returned to France for a Discovery Channel documentary on Dunkirk and in the same year he received an award from the Air Force Sergeants' Association.

Last month a book telling his story was published. Author Dee La Vardera who helped Mr Waite write the book - *Survivor of the Long March, Five Years as POW* - said: "Charles said that he was just an ordinary man but he showed, by the way he lived his life, by surviving all that he did, and enriching the lives of those who knew him, that he was an extraordinary man."

His friend and fellow member of Kidderminster Horticultural Society Charles Talbot said: "He showed remarkable courage to survive, and continued to show it throughout his life. He truly was inspirational."

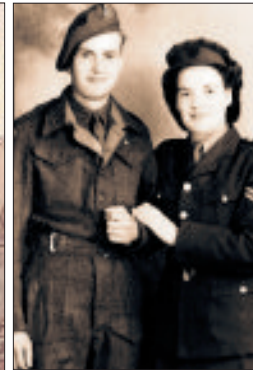
Mr Waite's funeral will be at Stourbridge Crematorium tomorrow (Friday) at 12.20pm.



Charles Waite with a copy of his book



Charles with Terry Waite CBE in 2009



Married - Charles and Lily Waite



Charles, aged 12, with dog Peter

Hospital bus link offer

A PARK AND RIDE service to Worcestershire Royal Hospital is on offer from the county council.

The W3 and 31C buses leave the Sixways depot, just a couple of minutes from junction 6 of the M5, the A449 and A38, to the hospital at regular intervals from 6.44am until 6.30pm every weekday.

The journey usually takes 10 to 15 minutes.

The cost, including parking and return travel is £2.20 for one person, rising to no more than £3.50 in total for up to seven people.

All the buses have low floors making access easier for wheelchairs and pushchairs. Blue badge holders can park and travel for free after 9.30am.

Councillor John Smith, cabinet member for highways and transport, said: "Thousands of people visit Worcestershire Royal Hospital each week. The park and ride services are there to help make their journeys stress-free."

Details and timetables are available at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/parkandride

Walk with ghosts

GHOST walks around Stourport's canal basins, will be held on Sunday and on March 3, both starting at 6.30. Organised by Stourport Forward, they start from Tontine Garden and last about two hours. For details call 01299 822827.

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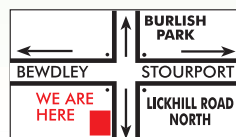
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Cuts will save cash for police

OPENING hours at Kidderminster and Stourport police stations are to be cut to save money.

Stourport, now open Monday to Saturday, will be open for four days.

Opening times at Kidderminster will also be reduced in the evenings and at weekends.

The plan has been approved by West Mercia Police Authority.

Chairman Sheila Blagg said: "Opening times at each station have been adjusted specifically to fit with local demand."

"The resulting bespoke changes minimise their impact on service availability and will not affect the ability of officers to carry out beat duties."

West Mercia Police needs to save around £30 million over the next four years.

Under the plans, the Stourport station will be open to the public Tuesday to Friday, from 10am until 2pm.

Kidderminster will shut two hours earlier at 8pm instead of the current 10pm.

Sunday opening hours will be reduced to 10am to 4pm from 8am to 10pm.

Advice on offer

SESSIONS offering older people advice and information are to be held by Age UK at Stourport library, Worcester Street, on the second Tuesday of each month, 10am-noon. For details call 01905 822722.

Railway has starring role in BBC TV drama

A HIGH-PROFILE TV drama has been filmed on location at the Severn Valley Railway.

The railway was one of the principal filming locations for *Dancing on the Edge*, a five-part BBC production directed by Stephen Poliakoff.

Camera and lighting teams prepared Bewdley station for key scenes to be filmed inside a train.

The station itself was renamed South Bromley for the shoot.

The production then moved to the Kidderminster station where scenes were filmed inside a sleeper coach. Viewers will see the station itself doubling as Folkestone where trains are seen arriving and departing for Dover.

Hollywood actor Matthew Goode was among the performers at the station for filming.

Production

The drama also features Chiwetel Ejiofor, Jacqueline Bisset, Anthony Head, Caroline Quentin and Jane Asher.

Extras from across the West Midlands, including 25-year-old James Gardner, from Cannock, are also featuring in the drama.

The drama is set in the 1930s and follows jazz musicians the Louis Lester Band as they find fame among the parties and performances of London's upper class society. It will be screened in the autumn.

Operations manager for the railway Phil Brown said: "It has all gone very smoothly. It is wonderful the station has been chosen as a major location for this new production."



Extra James Gardner, 25, from Cannock



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Win has Luisa heading for the top



A delighted Luisa Butera with judges Rachael Bridge, left, Gemma Hensman, centre right, and Jamie Farrar

KIDDERMINSTER hairdresser Luisa Butera's skills won her a place on the prestigious Clynol Protege Team for the second year in a row.

Luisa, of Elizabeth & Giovanni's Unisex Hair Salon in Kidderminster, was picked for the team after a gruelling judging process in London. The national competition, open to those of age 25 and under, offers the opportunity to work for a year under the wing of Clynol's premier hairdressers and technicians and receive training from award-winning hairdressers. Clynol's Protege team manager Jamie Farrar said: "I am absolutely delighted with the team that has been selected."

And Luisa said: "The whole experience has been brilliant. I can't wait for my next year as a Protege. I'm so excited!"

Charity shop proves a hit

THOUSANDS of customers have been flocking to Kidderminster's new British Heart Foundation (BHF) Furniture and Electrical Store.

The shop in Worcester Street is proving a hit since it was opened earlier this month to replace a store destroyed in a fire.

Ron Humphreys, BHF area manager, said: "We are delighted that the new Kidderminster store has made its mark in the local community."

The store sells furniture including sofas, chairs, dining sets, beds and wardrobes, plus electrical items including TVs, stereos, washing machines, fridges and dishwashers.

Mr Humphreys said lots of quirky, unique items had been donated so shoppers could look for something modern, an antique gem, or something "vintage chic".

All funds raised in the store are pumped into the BHF's life-saving work in the fight against heart disease - the UK's biggest killer. BHF shops

raise more than £26 million annually to help fund research, patient care and life-saving equipment.

Mr Humphreys said: "Selling two sofas can provide a heart patient with a hand held ECG machine so that they can monitor their heart at home - it shows how much this store helps those in need."

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Police bosses avoid an increase in cost to public

War poetry set to music



Chloe Torpey and Phil Gwilliam star in the Wilfred Owen musical

A NEW musical drama based on the life and work of Wilfred Owen is coming to Bridgnorth's Theatre on the Steps.

Bullets and Daffodils is the world's first musical theatrical production based on the life and work of Owen, the First World War poet who died in the trenches.

It's directed by John Gorman who

found fame in the 60s with Liverpool band The Scaffold.

Peter Owen, Wilfred Owen's nephew, said "Bullets and Daffodils is a good contemporary way of introducing people of all ages to Wilfred's poetry."

The play is on March 17. Tickets at £9 or £7 are available by calling the box office on 01746 763257.

A "SENSIBLE" West Mercia Police Authority budget means there will be no increase in the policing element of the council tax for the next financial year.

The precept remains at 2010/11 levels. For example, payment for a Band D property remains £178.72.

Chairwoman Sheila Blagg said: "This will be the last budget the authority approves, as the introduction of the Police and Crime Commissioners takes effect in November. "The budget is a sensible one. It combines taking advantage of the special Government grant to avoid increasing the council tax to hard-pressed citizens, together with cash-reducing efficient measures."

She said strong reserves built up by prudent management would help the authority cope with financial difficulties.

She added: "The financial position being handed over is a healthy one as the coming commissioner takes up post, and considers policing priorities against a backcloth of grant reductions."

Chief Constable David Shaw added: "The steps we have taken to address the funding gap...are helping to maintain the strength of operational officer numbers, while minimising any impact on the services we provide."

"The alliance with Warwickshire Police is an opportunity for the two forces to work more closely and share resources. The alliance has been formed to increase efficiency and maximise services in a time of substantial funding cuts."

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Bryan Bush with his scrapbooks of memories

Former bus driver stops to remember his routes

A £7 MILLION scheme that has changed Stourbridge Bus Station beyond recognition has rekindled memories of the old site for one long-time worker.

Bryan Bush started out as a driver in 1962 and worked there and its neighbouring garage until 1985.

The 73-year-old, of Maypole Drive, Stourbridge, says while nothing now remains of either the original station or garage he still has fond memories of both and the people who worked there.

Redevelopment of the Foster Street East site will create a bus interchange with a new concourse and subway link but Mr Bush says things had been very different when he started working there.

The station had been split in two with the old railway station, which was then the main line, at the centre of the site. But the big difference was that opposite the station



by Lee Watton

stood a garage where the buses were stored and maintained. The vehicles also used to leave this site to begin their daily journeys.

That is now occupied by the Mercedes Benz dealership but at one time it was one of the biggest employers in the town with 200 staff. Mr Bush later became an acting inspector and then a union chairman and finally a liaison officer.

"The garage was a bustle of activity in those days as buses continually left and entered the site while on their journeys," he says.

"We had vehicles going out to all areas such as Worcester, Ludlow and Kidderminster along with the closer destinations such as Cradley Heath and Stourbridge.

"I worked there until 1985 when

the garage was closed. It was a great place to work."

Mr Bush says staff were a close knit team and went on social events, including fishing trips.

The garage was demolished soon after its closure on January 26, 1985, marking the end of an era.

Staff gathered for one last photograph of their final day before they were transferred to depots in Hartshill, Dudley and Quinton as part of West Midlands Travel's rationalisation plans. But Mr Bush says many keep in touch.

The replacement, built to bring the split station together was demolished last year.

"The recent work at the site is the second major change I can remember happening at the station," says Mr Bush, who worked on the buses for nearly 40 years.

"However, I am sure there will be people who continue to think fondly of the old station and before that the garage."



Staff pull a retiring driver's bus into Stourbridge garage in 1978

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There's hope for the silent sufferers

It's hard to imagine after losing natural teeth things could ever be quite the same again.

Denture wearers for too long have often tolerated a catalogue of unresolved problems from poor stabilisation, where prosthetics move on the gums, to an inability to eat a healthy diet.

Added to the physical challenges are the carefully hidden embarrassing moments and the restrictions of being able to live life impulsively. These issues are further

compounded for some by an emotionally corrosive inability to smile freely.

Denturist Steven Burchell DipCDT RCS (Eng), who heads the team at the Denture Clinic in North Street, Dudley, says: "For some, losing teeth is life changing and not for the better."

But he is keen to send out a message of hope to the silent sufferers with four major treatment models now available at his clinic aimed at reversing "an untold catalogue of misfortunes" and restoring a warm and engaging smile.

Added to the comprehensive clinical toolbox of solutions - which includes traditional dentures; a cleverly designed suction denture which is held in place by tiny diaphragms creating a vacuum between the gums and teeth; and implant retained dentures - is a system known as All-on-4.

In this feature we take a snapshot of each procedure and in accessible language explain the clinical options available from Mr Burchell and his team.

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Suction offers a new solution

A cutting-edge development to help resolve the stability problems faced by thousands of denture wearers is being offered at the Denture Clinic.

The invention has the potential to improve the life quality of patients who have previously experienced long-term problems with ill-fitting dentures.

Prosthetics are held in place by tiny valve-operated suction devices which are built into the dentures.

A clever diaphragms principle, triggered by the bite pressure on patients' gums, creates a 'sucking' vacuum between the soft-tissue mouth lining and the prosthetic.

Expectations

Mr Burchell, whose clinic attracts patients from as far as Spain, the Isle of Skye and the Isle of Anglesey, adds: "The denture revolution is evolving at a pace. In recent times we have seen what I can only describe as stringent steps forward with implant-retained dentures coming into main-stream dentistry, clever technology which allows excellent fitting outcomes and now the Ultra Suction product.

"Implant dentistry is not suitable for everyone, neither is it all patients' first preference. The beauty of this technology from New Zealand is that it offers excellent denture retainer qualities without surgery.

"We have always endeavoured to be on the very cusp of clinical development and this is another tool in our commitment to always try to deliver results which are greater than patient expectations," adds Mr Burchell.



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Clinic principal Steve Burchell, whose work has attracted interest from as far as Spain, the Isle of Skye, Eastbourne and North Wales, is driving hard a message of hope, which is helping to change the image of false teeth and the people who wear them.

Mr Burchell DipCDT RCS(Eng), says: "It's my experience that there are too many people putting up with ill-fitting dentures. With lips that are pinched, lower dentures with excessive mobility allowing food ingress between the plate and the gums, sore spots and teeth that do not function well, it's no wonder so many wearers feel at a loss in their search for solutions to their problems.

But the clinician, who has earned a country-wide reputation as a 'smile mechanic', is buoyant about the future for solutions with dentures.

He passionately embraces what he calls "the denture revolution" offering traditional denture wearers precise fittings with the latest injection moulding techniques and natural-looking teeth that are functional too.

"We desperately want people to know there is a solution for most problems. The clinic has a vast wealth of experience to draw upon and we promise to give as much time as people need to resolve issues with the best clinical outcomes," Mr Burchell adds.

IMPLANT RETAINED

A GROWING number of satisfied patients have found a renewed confidence by ditching their traditional dentures for implant retained dentures.

The procedure that became an established form of dentistry in the United States in recent years can now be carried out with the Denture Clinic - and the transition can mean new teeth, which can function just as if they were your own.

Fixed with small titanium screw-like mechanisms that are set, and eventually fused into the bone, they act as an effective substitute for the roots of your missing teeth. Implantologist, Mr Jon Pugh BDS MSc, with whom the clinic has a long-established working relationship, undertakes all the surgical procedures.

Research reveals that as little as two dental implants in the lower jaw will significantly stabilise the prosthetic. A similar procedure can secure the upper teeth, normally with four implant fixings.

The dentures can be snapped on and off their fixings by the patient and provide a guaranteed solution for stabilisation problems.

Advantages include a harmonious fit with gums, the possibility of improved speech and taste, natural chewing function and bite, no more tilting and the end of pressure spot discomfort, restored chewing ability, improved diet, the end of further jaw bone erosion and the smile of your dreams.

ALL-ON-4



A treatment pioneered in Portugal that offers denture wearers teeth that never have to be taken out for cleaning is arriving at the clinic in the New Year. Known as All-on-4, the system embraces implant technology with just four securing post supporting a titanium framework of teeth.

Denture Clinic consultations also at Parkside Dental Practice, 7 Park Rd West, Wolverhampton, WV1 4PS

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Pupils cook up a community treat



Jake Ballinger, Emma Clarke, Tomasz Mondzelewski, Tyler Maiden, Chelsea Mills, Sam Yeats and Faye Boucher
A GROUP of Year 10 students from Wolverley CE Secondary School are inviting members of the community to join them for a bargain three-course meal.

The meal, at Wolverley Church Hall on March 8 at noon, is a project suggested by the students themselves to help them fulfill an element of one of their alternative provision qualifications.

Spokesman Adrian Hobday said: "The students have worked really well together planning the event. They have

not only planned and practised cooking the dishes on the menu, but they have designed posters and the tableware for the meal too."

Anyone who wishes to find out more or reserve a place for the community meal can contact Mr Hobday on 01562 852265 or send him an e-mail at adrian.hobday@wolverley.worcs.sch.uk.

Proceeds go to the cancer unit at Birmingham Children's Hospital.

Green in the spotlight

THE FUTURE of Bewdley's Millennium Green will be under the spotlight at a special meeting in the town.

Transition Bewdley Land Group hosts the meeting at the Wribbenhall Community Centre on Monday.

Sarah Lange, a local resident, has been carrying out a door-to-door survey on behalf of Bewdley Town Council, the trustees of the green, in Shaw Hedge Road.

It forms part of Sarah's masters

degree at the University of Worcester, and has been supported by members of Transition Bewdley Land Group.

At the meeting Sarah will feed back the results of her survey, and make some recommendations to ensure this green space is better used and valued by the local community.

Gill Holland, a member of the land group, said: "At present the green is rather sad and barely used by the surrounding community, very far from the original vision for it."

The original idea was that it should be used for informal recreation and a meeting area or place for community events.

Gill added: "The land group is very pleased to support this study, to try to promote a better future for the green. The meeting starts at 7pm and is open to everyone, with free admission and refreshments."

For information or to contribute to the survey, contact Sarah Lange on 07958 704409 or send an email to sarahlange@hotmail.co.uk

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Swifts on agenda for trust talk

PEOPLE in Kidderminster can discover more about swifts, thanks to the local group of the Worcestershire Wildlife Trust.

Gillian Westray of Swift Conservation will be giving a talk on swifts on March 1.

Trust member Mike Averill said swifts spent nearly all their time on the wing – even sleeping and mating in the air. They only landed to establish nesting sites.

The talk at 7.30 at Holy Innocents Community Hall in Foley Road, will include advice on putting up swift nest boxes. For more details, call 01299 822748.

Youngsters dig in at park to meet tree planting challenge

HARDY pupils from a Kidderminster primary school braved the recent old snap to take part in a tree-planting challenge.

The pupils from St Mary's Primary School, all members of the school's gardening club, wrapped up well to plant 105 trees in Springfield Park.

With help from Wyre Forest Council staff, they dug deep to plant the trees which will become part of a wooded area at the park.

The trees were provided by the

Kidderminster and District Lions club and the Woodland Trust.

The tree planting ceremony followed a challenge laid down by the President of Lions Clubs International, Wing-Kun Tam.

He challenged Lions clubs around the world to plant a million trees during his year of office.

Alarming

And so far, nearly seven million have been planted worldwide. In the Midlands alone, Lions clubs have planted more

than 2,000 trees so far.

The Lions say that trees are being lost at an alarming rate, even though they conserve soil and water, control avalanches, prevent desertification, and protect coastal areas.

They are vital centers of biological biodiversity and nearly three hundred million people around the world rely on trees for fuel wood, medicine and food, they say.

Another 1.6 billion people depend on trees and forests for subsistence and income.



Pupils Sid Smith, James Gill, Travis Carter and Adam Browning, with Lions members Joyce Fellows and Helen White

999 team treks to help hurt girl

A 13-year-old girl was stretchered by medics through woodland and a brook after suffering a suspected broken leg after being kicked by a horse in a remote field near Kidderminster.

Ambulance crews had to scramble a mile across countryside to reach her. She was airlifted to hospital after being treated at the scene at Eyre Wood in Upper Arley.

The girl was riding with friends when another horse reared up and struck her right leg. The group flagged down the ambulance along Arley Lane. One of her friends in a Land Rover drove the medics as far as they could, leaving them a mile to cover on foot.

The crew bandaged the girl's leg and carried her on a stretcher back through the woods, across a brook and down a field to the air ambulance helicopter. She was then airlifted to Worcestershire Royal Hospital.

West Midlands Ambulance Service spokesman Murray MacGregor said: "Because of the location, the crew requested a helicopter be sent and the Midlands Air Ambulance from Strensham was dispatched. It was able to land in the field not too far from the woods."

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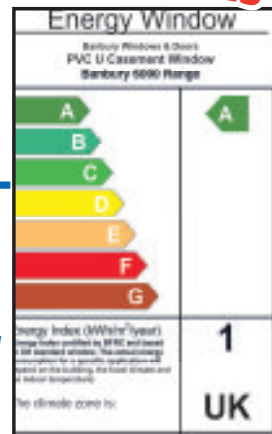
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London Weekend

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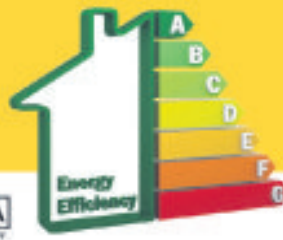
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LETTERS

Grave reservations over the new HS2

HS2 has the nod. At an estimate of a mere £32 billion we can now go ahead and build our very own high speed railway.

The chairman of HS2 Plc. assures us the cost of this venture will not rise over the time it takes to construct this mammoth building project, and indeed he fully expects it to come in under budget and on time. Exactly what planet does he live on?

But not to worry about costs and schedules, we are confidently assured this project will generate 20,000 jobs within the UK. Have we any guarantee it will not also attract a further 20,000

immigrants from all over Europe to fill those jobs?

British employers are fond of telling us foreign labour is more reliable than the home-grown variety, but the bottom line is they are cheaper, it all comes down to money in the end. Immigrant labour works for poorer wages and conditions than we do. Who, I wonder will get the contract to build the new coaches that will be required to be built for these new super trains? Will it go, as it ought to, to our own Bombardier, or will it once again be awarded to a German competitor?

Only time will tell. At the end of the

day we must question whether it will ever be used as intended, as a fast efficient means of transport made available to the country as a whole, or will it be restricted to those fortunate few who can afford a ticket?

I have grave reservations over the fact most of the voices raised in favour of HS2 are well-heeled businessmen, who say it will be beneficial to the country, but of course they would, wouldn't they. They will be the only ones with the wherewithal to use it.

**B Parsons,
Millard Road,
Coseley.**

Speeding motorists deserve to be fined

I'VE driven through the M5 temporary speed limit that has caught 17 speeders a day.

No doubt some of those were the ones passing me, who are now rightly lighter in their bank accounts.

I've also driven through countless other motorway temporary speed limits.

Every one of these has been well signed in advance with signs repeated throughout its length.

The problem is impatient drivers who think the limit doesn't apply to them.

Now we have the "Association of British Drivers" incredibly trying to criticize this procedure.

This isn't "entrapment" as they bizarrely see it. It's called a fair cop guy!

**Phil Tonks,
Stourbridge.**

LETTERS to the Editor

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Police missing just when you need them

I NOTED the article which states that two police stations - Stourport and Kidderminster - are to cut short their opening hours, quote, "Kidderminster will shut two hours earlier at 8pm instead of 10pm".

If that's the case why is it that, after witnessing boy racers in cars churning up grass and causing grooves in the road when continually going round islands, I have gone up to Kidderminster police station between the hours of 8pm and 10pm, and it was in total darkness with doors locked?

I pressed a button outside which told me to report it elsewhere. This was about a year ago, so don't try and pretend they were open up until 10pm.

It's bad enough that we don't see any police on our roads anymore, unless we have someone important who is visiting our town, whereupon there would be police all over the place! When I was younger, there was always a police presence, albeit on their push bikes. So much for progress.

**Mrs Pauline Rickson
Sebright Road
Wolverley, Kidderminster.**

Praise for NHS and excellent doctors

I KNOW there seems a lot of negative stories about the NHS recently, but I want to say that I for one have the best GP anyone could wish for, Dr Wilson at Worcester Street Surgery.

She always listens to a patient and treats people as equals and with respect.

Also, I have an outstanding consultant at Russells Hall Hospital, Mr Sohail Quraishi. He also respects patients.

These are just two National Health Service people who are good, and I am sure there are more.

So when we read or hear about negative things of the NHS, let's remember the more positive things of our good health service.

**Miss Victoria Biggs,
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Local help gives coffers a boost

LOCAL fundraisers for the charity Dogs for the Disabled, raised £1,133.48 during 2011.

The group which covers Kidderminster, Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Redditch and Worcester, organised charity days at pet shops, collections at supermarkets, and charity stands at local events, to raise the money.

Dogs for the Disabled is a pioneering charity that trains assistance dogs for children and adults with physical disabilities. They can also help fami-

lies with a child with autism. The dogs offer independence, but the dog also becomes a reason to go out.

A spokeswoman said that having an assistance dog could lead to new friends, and even getting back into work.

The partnerships created between people with disabilities and dogs could be life-changing, she added.

Anyone interested in getting involved can email community@dogsforthedisabled.org or call telephone 07970 169 895.

Council considers dimming street lights to save cash

STREET lights may be dimmed or switched off in Worcestershire as the county council tries to save money and cut carbon emissions.

The council aims to save £520,000 by 2014-15 through its light-cutting measures.

The council is responsible for 52,000 street lights and 8,000 illuminated road signs, costing around

£2 million in electricity and accounting for 21 per cent of its carbon dioxide emissions.

The council has been discussing alternatives with parish and town councils.

Alternatives include dimming, conversion to more energy-efficient lighting such as LED and white light or "part night switch-off."

This would mean that some street lights that were previously on all night, being lit between dusk and midnight. They would be

switched off until 5.30am, before coming on again until dawn.

The council has already dimmed 200 high-wattage lighting points, and 6,000 lighting columns have been converted to more energy-efficient lighting.

Councillor John Smith, cabinet member for roads, said: "The county council is no different from anyone else."

"We are also facing the cost of rising energy bills and we're trying to reduce our emissions. "That's

why it's necessary to reduce our street lighting energy consumption."

"Any money saved can be re-invested in further measures to reduce our carbon footprint."

"We have already undertaken extensive work, piloting with local communities and testing new technologies."

"We understand that one size does not fit all and we will be looking at how to best work with the communities."

Club marks anniversary

MEMBERS of Stourport Floral Art Club marked their 55th anniversary at their annual meeting.

And a favourable treasurer's report meant it was not necessary to increase fees for the coming year.

The programme of demonstrators was compiled by Frances Bashford and an outing is planned for August.

An auction was held after the meeting and £100 was raised to start the yearly charity donation.

Meetings are held at the Elizabeth Mills social centre, New Street at 7.30.

Florence celebrates her 104th birthday



Florence Reeve, who was 104 on Valentine's Day

FLORENCE REEVE had her large family around her when she celebrated her 104th birthday on Valentine's Day.

And as her daughter Carole Swingler said: "You can see from the photo taken at the party, she is still hale and hearty, and looking extremely well".

Mrs Reeve was from Coventry, but she moved to Worcestershire with her husband, Philip, just over 40 years ago. They lived in a number of places in the county, including Knightwick, Worcester, and Wolverley.

Mrs Swingler said for the last six years her mother had lived and been well looked after in Breach House care home in Belbroughton.

Mrs Reeve has three children, Mrs Swingler, who lives with her husband in Bewdley, another daughter Susan Reeve, who lives in Leamington, and a son, John Reeve, who lives in Monks Kirby in Warwickshire. They, and Mrs Reeve's fellow residents, celebrated the birthday with a party at Breach House on Valentines Day with entertainment, sherry and a cake.

Mrs Reeve has three grand daughters, the youngest of whom was one year old on Valentine's Day, and two step-grandchildren.

Businesses flock to get advice on finance

MORE than 117 small businesses in the Black Country have taken advice about how to get funding after a series of road shows.

The Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership's (LEP) Open Access to Finance Forums rounded off a tour of the area at Sandwell Council House in late January, when 18 local companies turned up.

The forum followed other events in Dudley, Wolverhampton and Walsall, attended by a total of 117 small businesses. Financial bodies exhibiting and offering support at the events included commercial banks, corporate financiers, law firms, business and financial advisors, small business loan funds, accountants and business schools.

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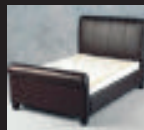
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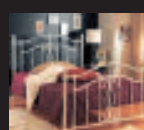
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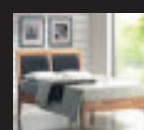
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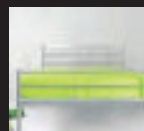
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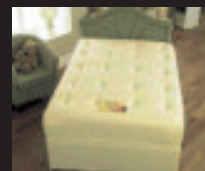
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Emeli Sande - Our Version Of Events
THE Scottish soul songstress is a class act, you can tell that from the way new single Next To Me sounds like it has been around forever. The 24-year-old, who has written songs performed by artists as diverse as Susan Boyle and Cheryl Cole, first reached no.1 as featured singer on Professor Green's Read All About It. Vocally, she is similar to Wolverhampton's own Beverley Knight and her debut album is made up of solid, safe modern soul.

Air - Le Voyage Dans Le Lune
The cool French duo have always had an otherworldly quality, so who better to provide a soundtrack to a restored version of the first sci-fi movie, Georges Méliès' Trip to the Moon. This mood music references Kraftwerk and Pink Floyd (particularly Cirrus Minor). Get the version with the DVD of the 16-minute colourised 1902 movie, with its iconic shot of the man in the moon getting a rocket in the eye.

We Have Band - Ternion
After the reverberated dirge of an opener, this second album from a London outfit featuring dual male-female vocals hits its synth pop stride with a definite 80s vibe, especially on a couple of tracks reminiscent of early Depeche Mode. The new XX maybe?
Leon Burakowski

More West End blockbusters come to the West Midlands

THE BLOCKBUSTER musicals keep coming, following the triumph of Sister Act and packed houses for South Pacific at the Grand and New Alexandra theatres this month.

Sexy Broadway and West End hit Chicago will be aiming to Razzle Dazzle audiences at the New Alex with All That Jazz and a cast of TV names including Hollyoaks and The Bill star Ali Bastian as killer nightclub singer Roxie Hart. Trying to save her from death row in the 1920s-set musical will be her former soap co-star and EastEnders actor Stefan Booth as lawyer Billy Flynn. Coronation Street's Tupele Dorgu plays Roxie's cell block rival, Velma Kelly, and Bernie Nolan will have a ball as Mama Morton, the prison's queen bee.

The show, which was turned into an Oscar-winning movie, was an international hit for the songwriting team of Kander and Ebb with classic choreography from Bob Fosse. The original 1975 production went on to run for 936 performances in New York and then became a West End hit in 1979, where a revamped production is still being staged. The tour version will be performed in Birmingham from March 5 to 10. The same production will be back to play Wolverhampton Grand from May 14 to 19.

Dickens

One of the most popular of all British musicals, Lionel Bart's Oliver!, comes to Birmingham as Cameron Mackintosh's spectacular West End production hits the road to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens. Samantha Barks, a finalist in TV's I'd Do Anything, finally gets to play Nancy, the doomed lover of Bill Sykes. The rising star has had a long stint playing Eponine in the London production of Les Misérables and recently won that role in the forthcoming Les Mis movie.

The production that brings such classic songs as Consider Yourself and As Long As He Needs Me will see the role of Fagin shared. Staffordshire-raised former Men Behaving Badly star Neil Morrissey takes the role from March 13 to April 1. Then Brian Conley returns to his second home, after spending last festive season in panto at the Hippodrome, to play Fagin from April 3 until April 21.

Meanwhile, hard-hitting US comedy musical Avenue Q, described as an X-rated Muppet Show, makes its Wolverhampton debut at the Grand on February 28, running to March 3.



Oliver street urchins perform Consider Yourself
Picture by Michael Le Poer Trench

A perfect welcome to ballet

La Fille Mal Gardée, Wolverhampton Grand
THE excellent Russian State Ballet's performance of La Fille Mal Gardée (translated as The Wayward Daughter) is an ideal introduction to ballet. It is light and funny with beautiful music played by a first class orchestra.

It moves along at a cracking pace and is performed with just the right blend of exuberance and finesse.

Lancashire clogging by a pantomime dame produces a blast of friendly warmth. Principal dancers Natalia Bobrova and Vyacheslav Kapustin give pristine performances, the corps are a joy with their expressive body movement and precise footwork.

Comedy gold performances are given by Alexander Kuimov as the dame and Alexei Zevin as the village half-wit.

Les Jowett

A noisy Stomp of approval

Stomp, Birmingham Hippodrome
CASTING it's musical magic on the audience, Stomp was big and noisy but also irresistible. It cleverly takes the clutter of every day life, from paint cans to the actual kitchen sink, and creates one hell of an unconventional orchestra.

Metal dustbins, match boxes, tubs, cigarette lighters, water butts and brushes produced a non stop carnival of foot-tapping music.

The cast, affectionately known as the Stompers, dressed in old jeans and dungarees, leaped, spun and skidded around the stage with breathtaking energy and skill to the pounding of their strange musical appliances. Adding brilliant comedy to some routines and audience participation was well received by the audience, who gave a standing ovation.

Les Jowett

Big Yin back on the boards

THE BIG Yin, Scots comedian Billy Connolly has in 30 years also become a movie actor and TV traveller but returns to his stand-up roots, trailing controversy over his reaction to hecklers, with his sold-out Big Man Live gigs at Birmingham Symphony Hall tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday.

He will also be playing to a full Wolverhampton Civic Hall on the following Friday and Saturday.

Pandemics and quantum theory

NATHAN Wolfe's The Viral Storm, worryingly subtitled The Dawn of a New Pandemic Age (Allen Lane, paperback, £14.99), takes the biologist out of the jungles where he does research to explain how viruses and mankind have evolved side by side and why the modern world is vulnerable to a global pandemic. He tempers the scenarios that give sleepless nights with suggestions of how killer viruses can be neutralised or even harnessed for good.

Professors Brian Cox (TV's Mancunian physicist) and Jeff Forshaw continue their mission to bring the wonders of quantum physics to a wider audience with **The Quantum Universe: Everything That Can Happen Does Happen** (Allen Lane, hardback, £20). Many of these concepts are hard to comprehend but the profs do an admirable job of explaining them clearly.

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POINTLESS CELEBRITIES

BBC1, 6.15pm

For a show that prides itself on celebrating obscurity, tea-time quiz Pointless has been gaining rather a lot of attention lately. Not only did it make the move from BBC Two to BBC One last year, but its best-rated episode attracted more than five million viewers and, most prestigiously of all, presenter Alexander Armstrong's 'pointless friend' and co-host Richard Osman was voted the top Weird Crush of 2011 by readers of Heat magazine. Now the programme is about to make even more of a splash as it gets a special, celebrity Saturday night edition. Will the famous faces have that all-important pointless knowledge?

6.00 Breakfast, 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live, 11.35 Rachel Allen: Home Cooking, (R) 12.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather, 12.15 Football Focus, 1.00 Live Six Nations Rugby Union, Ireland v Italy (Kick-off 1.30pm), 3.25 Live Six Nations Rugby Union, England v Wales (Kick-off 4.00pm).

6.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather.

6.15 Pointless Celebrities. New series. Christopher Biggins and Lesley Joseph join Alexander Armstrong and Richard Osman for the unorthodox general knowledge quiz.

7.10 Let's Dance for Sport Relief. More celebrity hoofing for charity, featuring former Towie stars Amy Childs and Harry Derbridge, actor and comedian Miles Jupp and ski-jump legend Eddie 'the Eagle' Edwards.

8.30 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which two pairs of complete strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.

9.20 Casualty. An official complaint is made against Sam.

10.10 BBC News: Weather.

10.30 Match of the Day. Including highlights of Queens Park Rangers v Fulham; National Lottery Update.

11.45 The Football League Show.

1.00 Weatherview, 1.05 BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 12.00 Film: How's Moving Castle, (2004) Animated fantasy, with the voices of Jean Simmons and Christian Bale, 2.00 Escape to the Country, (R) 2.45 Animal 24/7, (R) 3.30 Birds Britannia, 4.30 Final Score, 5.20 Coast, (R) 5.50 Flog It! (R)

6.50 Dad's Army. The bumbling platoon boosts its fighting strength by acquiring an armoured car. Classic comedy, starring Clive Dunn and Arthur Lowe, (R)

7.20 The Story of Light Entertainment. Stephen Fry narrates a history of the genre, beginning by focusing on double acts from Laurel and Hardy to Ant and Dec, (R)

8.20 The Story of Musicals. New series. Britain's influence on musical theatre.

9.20 I'm in a Boy Band. New series. The first of three documentaries exploring the experience of being in a boy band, with contributions by members of the Four Tops, the Jackson 5 and One Direction.

10.20 TOTP2: Boy Bands. Performances by JLS, the Monkees, Westlife, Village People and Blazin' Squad.

11.20 Pan Am. The staff and crew of the Clipper Majestic look forward to 1964. Last in the series.

12.00 Film: Intermision, (2003) Comedy, starring Colin Farrell, Cillian Murphy, and Kelly Macdonald, 1.45 Film: The Sorcerers, (1967) British horror, starring Boris Karloff, 3.05 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV, 7.25 CITV, 9.25 ITV News, 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA, 10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA, 11.20 This Morning: Saturday, 12.20 Murder, She Wrote, (R) 1.20 ITV News: Weather, 1.25 Film: Casino Royale, (1967) Spoof James Bond adventure, starring David Niven, 3.50 Film: Nanny McPhee, (2005) Period fantasy, starring Emma Thompson, 5.35 Regional News; Weather, 5.45 ITV News: Weather.

6.05 All Star Family Fortunes. EastEnders' June Brown (Dot Branning) and Blue singer Simon Webbe team up with a history of their relatives in a bid to win £30,000 for their chosen charities.

7.05 New You've Been Framed!

7.35 Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights.

8.05 Take Me Out. A semi-professional footballer, a busker, a cheerleader and an artist take part.

9.20 The Jonathan Ross Show. The host subjects another trio of celebrity guests to no-holds-barred questioning. Plus, musical performances by A-list bands and solo artists.

10.20 ITV News: Weather.

10.35 FILM: The Bodyguard. (1992) Romantic thriller, with Kevin Costner and the late Whitney Houston.

12.50 The Zone, ITV News Headlines, 3.00 In Plain Sight, 3.45 ITV News: Weather, 5.30 ITV Morning News.

6.05 Sali Mali, (R) 6.10 The Hoobs, (R) 6.35 The Hoobs, (R) 7.00 Road to London 2012: Paralympics Extra. A preview of this summer's Games, (R) 7.55 The Morning Line, 8.55 T4: Everyone's Talking About - Top 10, 9.25 T4: Bourjois Boutique, 9.55 T4: Playing It Straight, 10.55 T4: New Girl, (R) 11.25 T4: The Simpsons, (R) 11.55 T4: Charlie's Angels, 12.55 T4: The Big Bang Theory, (R) 1.25 T4: The Big Bang Theory, (R) 1.55 Channel 4 Racing, 3.55 Come Dine with Me, (R) 4.25 Come Dine with Me, (R) 4.55 Come Dine with Me, (R) 5.25 Come Dine with Me, (R)

6.00 Channel 4 News.

6.15 4thought.tv. A debate on racism.

6.20 FILM: Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian, (2009)

8.20 Big Fat Gypsy Weddings. Travellers who have found themselves in trouble with the law, including a family facing eviction from an illegal site and a man due in court on the day of his fiancée's hen party, (R)

9.20 The Bank Job. Game show, hosted by George Lamb.

10.20 FILM: Shooter, (2007) Action thriller, starring Mark Wahlberg and Danny Glover.

12.45 Film: Cop Land, (1997) Police thriller, starring Sylvester Stallone, 2.25 The Tannery, (R)

2.30 Film: Little Red Flowers, (2008) Comedy drama, starring Bowen Dong, 4.00 90210, 4.40 Brothers & Sisters, (R) 5.20 Countdown, (R)

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 World's Toughest Trucker, (R) 11.00 Royal Navy: Caribbean Patrol, (R) 12.00 Braveheart: The True Story, (R) 1.00 Film: The Duel at Silver Creek, (1952) Western, starring Audie Murphy, 2.30 Film: Day of the Evil Gun, (1968) Western, starring Glenn Ford, 4.25 Film: The Dirty Dozen, (1967) Second World War action adventure, with Lee Marvin.

7.15 5 News Weekend, 7.20 NCIS. One of Tony's old murder investigations is reopened, prompting him to switch roles with Gibbs and lead the team in an inquiry that links the case to an embezzlement scheme, (R)

8.15 NCIS. The team heads into the desert to locate an artist who might be able to help solve the murder of a fellow agent, and DiNozzo learns he is in line for an inheritance, (R)

9.10 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Langston and Nick investigate the murder of a fast-food restaurant manager, while Catherine and Greg look into the death of a woman found to have ingested two tubes of toothpaste, (R)

10.10 CSI: NY. The girlfriend of a troubled high-school sports star is found dead.

11.10 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

12.05 SuperCasino, 3.55 Nick's Quest, (R) 4.50 Rough Guide to Short Breaks, (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline, (R) 5.10 The Milkshake Show, (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends, (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car, (R)

ITV2
4.50 The Brit Awards 2012 6.50 Film: The Mummys, (1999) Action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz, John Hannah, Arnold Vosloo and Oded Fehr. Including FYI Daily, 9.20 Take Me Out - The Gossip 10.05 Celebrity Juice 10.50 Film: Payback (1999)

ITV3
4.50 The John Thaw Story 5.55 Goodnight Mister Tom 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot 11.00 Those Who Kill

ITV4
2.30 Film: Nevada Smith (1966) 5.10 Film: From Russia with Love, (1963) Spy thriller, starring Sean Connery, Robert Shaw, Daniela Bianchi and Lotte Lenya. Including FYI Daily, 7.30 The Sweeney 8.30 Minder 9.35 Film: Van Wilder: Party Liaison, (2002) Comedy, starring Ryan Reynolds, Tara Reid, Tim Matheson and K. Penn. Including FYI Daily, 11.30 Film: GoodFellas (1990)

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who 8.40 Top Gear 9.40 Live at the Apollo 10.10 Film: Disturbia (2007) 11.50 Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 Decisive Weapons 8.00 Sicily Unpacked 9.00 Inspector Montalbano 10.55 Horizon: Can We Make a Star on Earth? 11.55 Top of the Pops: 1977

E4
1.55 Hollyoaks 4.30 Perfect Couples 5.20 Scrubs 6.15 The Big Bang Theory 7.05 Happy Endings 7.35 How I Met Your Mother 8.05 Rules of Engagement 8.35 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 Film: I, Robot, (2004) Sci-fi thriller, with Will Smith, Bridget Moynahan and Alan Tudyk, 11.15 The Big Bang Theory

FILM4
3.00 Journey to the Center of the Earth (2008) 4.50 Bogus (1996) 7.05 The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising (2007) 9.00 What Happens in Vegas (2008) 10.55 End of Days (1999)

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HOMELAND

Channel 4, 9pm

In this second offering, post-traumatic stress sufferer Brody is still having a hard time at home with his family. He's plagued by violent nightmares and hallucinations, and resists media pressure to play the role of the returning war hero. Meanwhile, Saul, who is still not convinced that Brody is working for al-Qaeda, manages to get Carrie's four weeks' surveillance on the record so that she no longer has to hide what she's doing. Observing the footage of life in Brody's home closely, she tries to understand what's going on in his mind, and concludes he's still struggling with the fact that he's become a terrorist. Claire Daines and Damian Lewis head the cast.

6.00 Breakfast. **7.40** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Country Tracks. (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** Sunday Politics. **1.05** EastEnders. **3.00** Match of the Day Live: The League Cup Final. Liverpool v Cardiff City (Kick-off 4.00pm).

6.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **7.00** Countryfile. Matt Baker finds out about Cornwall's famous miners, while elsewhere in the county Ellie Harrison explores a marine habitat created from an old naval frigate.

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team heads to St Andrews University, where items of interest include a bowl believed to have belonged to Bonnie Prince Charlie, and Chinese vases from the Forbidden City.

9.00 Upstairs Downstairs. Lady Agnes catches the eye of an American millionaire.

10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **10.25** Room 101 - Extra Storage. With Nick Hever, Carol Vorderman and Rhod Gilbert.

11.05 The League Cup Show. Liverpool v Cardiff City. **11.50** The Celebrity Apprentice USA. The team is challenged to create an event for a new mobile phone.

1.15 Weatherwise. **1.20** Sign Zone: Film 2012, with Claudia Winkleman. (R) **2.00** Holly City. (R) **3.00** Accused. (R) **4.00** BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Something for the Weekend. **11.35** Film: The Red Beret. (1953) Second World War adventure, starring Alan Ladd. **1.00** Film: Cowboy. (1958) Western, starring Jack Lemmon. **2.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Scotland v France (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.00** Songs of Praise. **5.30** Coast. (R)

6.00 I'm in a Boy Band. The first of three documentaries exploring the experience of being in a boy band, with contributions by members of the Four Tops, the Jackson 5 and One Direction. (R)

7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads. Rhod Gilbert and Greg Davies negotiate crumbling mountain roads as they travel through Nepal, a country with one of the world's highest rates of road traffic accidents. (R)

8.00 Top Gear **9.00** Swimming with Crocodiles. Part two of two. Ben Fogle meets the saltwater crocodiles of Australia.

10.00 Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur.

11.15 Three Men Go to Ireland. Part one of two. Dara O Briain, Griff Rhys Jones and Rory McGrath sail from Dublin to Limerick. (R)

12.00 Rugby Union: Six Nations Highlights. **12.45** Film: Point Blank. (1967) Crime thriller, starring Lee Marvin. **2.15** BBC News. **4.00** Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** Ade in Britain. (R) **10.30** Dinner Date. (R) **11.30** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **12.30** ITV News; Weather. **12.45** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.45** Film: Columbo: Agenda for Murder. (1990) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGowan. **3.45** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.50** Regional News; Weather.

6.05 ITV News; Weather. **6.20** Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights. (R)

6.50 Dancing on Ice. The remaining seven celebrities take part in a rock-themed show, battling to impress the judges and win viewers' votes. Presented by Phillip Schofield and Christine Bleakley. The results can be seen at 9.30pm.

8.30 Wild at Heart. A mystery woman arrives, claiming to be Ed's wife, while a shocking link is made between some seemingly unrelated animal deaths. Jill Halfpenny (EastEnders) joins the cast.

9.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. The lowest-scoring couples compete.

10.00 That Sunday Night Show

10.30 ITV News; Weather. **10.45** Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Vinnie Jones (R)

11.50 Premiership Rugby Union. Action from the week 16 fixtures.

12.40 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. **2.45** River Monsters. (R) **3.35** ITV News. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

6.05 Sail Mail. (R) **6.10** The Hooks. (R) **6.35** The Hobbs. (R) **7.00** Channel 4 Presents - 2012: Danielle Brown - Part Two. (R) **7.30** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. (R) **7.55** T4: Bourjois Boutique. (R) **8.25** T4: One Tree Hill. (R) **9.20** T4: Hollyoaks. (R) **11.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. **1.25** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **2.35** Film: Robots. (2005) Animated adventure, with the voice of Ewan McGregor. **4.20** Deal or No Deal. **5.20** Time Team.

6.25 Channel 4 News. **6.55** 4thought.tv. Britain's racial tolerance is questioned.

7.00 The Political Slot. With Conservative MP Mark Prisk.

7.05 Home of the Future. The Pererags get to grips with brainwave-controlled video games.

8.00 The Hotel. The staff tackle Christmas, the biggest event of the year, but manager Mark faces a catalogue of problems, from dodgy decorations to vegetarian dinner mix-ups. Last in the series.

9.00 Homeland. Carrie keeps Brody's home under surveillance.

10.00 FILM: Law Abiding Citizen. (2009) Premieres. Thriller, starring Gerard Butler.

12.05 Film: Terminal Velocity. (1994) Action thriller, starring Charlie Sheen. **1.50** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.35** New Girl. (R) **3.00** 90210. (R) **3.45** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **4.25** Time Team. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Igan Ogam. (R) **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.15** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.35** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.45** Little Lodgers. **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **7.55** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.15** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Milkshake! Show Songs. **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) **10.00** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **10.20** Grey's Anatomy. (R) **11.15** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.20** Film: The Cassandra Crossing. (1976) Disaster movie, with Burt Lancaster. **2.50** Film: My Girl. (1991) Drama, starring Anna Chlumsky and Macaulay Culkin. **4.50** Film: Pocahontas II: Journey to a New World. (1998) Disney animated sequel, featuring the voice of Irene Bedard.

6.10 FILM: The House Bunny. (2008) Premiere. Comedy, starring Anna Faris.

8.00 Cowboy Builders. (R) **8.55** 5 News Weekend. **9.00** FILM: The Outlaw Josey Wales. (1976)

11.50 FILM: Maximum Risk. (1990) Action thriller, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme.

1.40 SuperCasino. **4.00** UEFA Europa League Highlights. **4.45** Rough Guide to Bang for Your Buck. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

ITV2 **1.50** Film: Wild Wild West (1999) **4.00** The Only Way Is Essex **5.30** The Cube **6.30** Film: The Mummy Returns (2001) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** The Only Way Is Essex **10.45** Film: I Am Legend. (2007) Sci-Fi thriller, starring Will Smith, Alice Braga and Charlie Tahan.

ITV3 **4.50** Hidden Treasure **6.50** Inspector Morse **9.00** Lewis. A body is found on an Oxford tour bus. **11.00** Cracker

ITV4 **2.35** Film: The Story of Dr Wassell (1944) **5.20** Film: The Battle of Midway (1976) Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Charlton Heston. **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union **9.00** Film: Sudden Death. (1995) Action thriller, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme, Powers Boothe, Raymond J Barry and Whitney Wright. Including FV1 Daily. **11.15** Film: Dirty Harry. (1971) Don Siegel's thriller, starring Clint Eastwood, Harry Guardino and Andy Robinson.

BBC THREE **7.00** Let's Dance for Sport Relief **8.00** Young Farmer of the Year **9.00** Being Human **10.00** Framface **10.30** Family Guy **11.15** American Dad!

BBC FOUR **7.00** Natural World: The Bloodhound and the Bearded **8.00** One Man and His Dog **9.00** Film: My Dog Tulip (2009) **10.20** Film: The Baader Meinhof Complex (2008)

E4 **4.35** Samantha Who? **5.00** Being Erica **6.00** 90210 **6.55** Film: She's the Man (2006) **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Skins

FILM4 **3.20** Little Manhattan (2005) **5.05** The Golden Compass (2007) **7.20** The Man (2005) Comedy, starring Samuel L Jackson and Eugene Levy. **9.00** Iron Man (2008) **11.15** Bunny and the Bull (2009)

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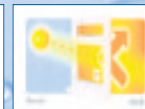
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First glimpse of Vauxhall's powerful new Astra VXR



The new Vauxhall Astra VXR, which is based on the GTC, and has a top speed of 155mph, will go on display at the Geneva Motor Show

INITIAL details of the next Vauxhall Astra VXR have been released, including power outputs, top speed and equipment.

The car will be based on the Astra GTC, which has already acquired a fine reputation for handling.

Powered by a 276bhp 2.0-litre engine that also pushes out 295lb/ft of torque, its top speed is

155mph – although it's not yet known whether this is organic or limited. It will feature a mechanical limited-slip differential in conjunction with Vauxhall's HiPerStrut (High Performance Strut) suspension system to create massive cornering grip, and it's safe to assume an attempt will be made on the front-wheel-drive Nurburgring lap record in due course.

Also standard will be the FlexRide adaptive

suspension system, which incorporates Sport and VXR buttons in order to offer two different stages of harder, more aggressive damping, steering and throttle response settings. Two exhausts and a swooping boot spoiler give identity to the rear end, while a revised grille is more aggressive at the front.

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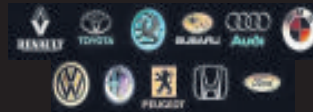
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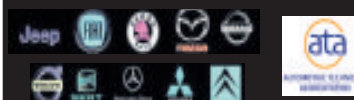
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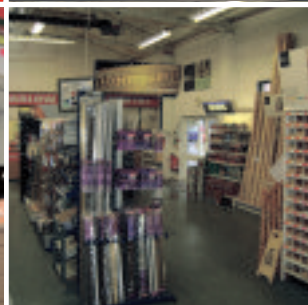


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JENNY blue eyed cuddly independent female, loves countryside, animals, cooking, WLTm older male to spoil and look after. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 378481 §

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FUN loving lady, outgoing, honest, caring, likes socialising, seeks older male, 50-70. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 383325 §

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MARIA 38, blonde, 5ft 5ins, caring, likes nights in/out, seeks caring male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 329319 §

ELAINE kind, romantic, loving 43, seeks genuine male for relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 374845 §

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SLIM female, 5ft 9ins, blonde, likes weekends away, meals out, seeks handsome chap to court me, then maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 369295 §

KIND romantic female, 50, seeking a male to talk, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 368429 §

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RAQUEL dark hair, tattooed, single mum, genuine, slim, petite, affectionate, sensitive, seeks special male. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 366755 §

BLONDE named female, trendy, 46, GSOH, likes walks, pubs, nights in, seeks male. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384852 §

VANESSA fun loving single mum, 5ft 4ins, brown eyes, seeks kind, loving, genuine male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 304135 §

CARING and honest lady 61, 5ft 2ins, WLTm very caring and honest gentleman. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 357985

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FEMALE 51, slim, 5ft 4ins, genuine, caring, seeks soul mate who is genuine and caring. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 356761 §

SLIM attractive, self sufficient lady, 44, GSOH, seeks special male, 35-50 to share evening in/out, theatre, possible relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 351813 §

53YR old female, young at heart, likes cinema, theatre, meals out, pubs, walks, holidays, seeks genuine, trustworthy male, 48-56. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 339275

GENUINE caring, mid 60's female, many interests, GSOH, seeks kind, genuine, loyal male for LTR. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 327465 §

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SLIM 32yr old blonde, kind, caring, good listener, honest, likes to have fun, seeks male. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 339373 §

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BOSSY lady, 44, dark hair, fit, slim, good looking, seeks male, 40-50 who will do as he is told. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 326119

FEMININE caring, young, mid 60's N/S woman, varied interests, seeks genuine, loyal male of similar age to share together and LTR. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 321931 §

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YOUNG looking, pretty female, 40, brunette, slim, no ties, N/S, seeks attractive, refined male for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 313115

SLIM attractive 44yr old female, N/S, no ties, likes travel, nights out, seeks male, 40-50 for LTR. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 341491

ATTRACTIVE 40yr old female, brunette, slim, trendy, no ties, high morals, seeks slim male for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 316619

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DIONNE 5ft 3ins, blonde hair, blue eyes, medium build, 42, single mum, seeks male. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 376801

PATRICIA 5ft 5ins, red hair, blue eyes, likes nights out, meals, clubs, seeking nice young man who is kind, generous to look after me. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 378207 §

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MALE 46, medium build, short hair, N/S, lonely, no ties, hurt in past, varied interests, sports, DIY, seeks female, 21-65. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385783 §

41YR old male, 6ft, dark hair, likes cosy nights in and good times out, seeks female to share good times with, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 369663 §

MALE 45, 5ft 7ins, medium build, short hair, N/S, no ties, honest, likes sports, cinema, countryside, DIY, seeks female, 20-60 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 332453

JEFF 60's, WLTm petite female, 40's for nights out, walks, camping, holidays, weekends away etc. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385695 §

STEVE 55, seeks older lady, 60-70 for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389674 §

KARL 40, fun loving, caring, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389662 §

DANIEL 49, tall, attractive, GSOH, seeks lady for fun relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382559

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ATTRACTIVE tall honest guy, 48, polite, respectful with GSOH, seeks female for fun relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 371823

47YR old musician, thoughtful, tall, seeks quiet, easygoing lady, 40-47 for mellow relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384401 §

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63YR old male, widower, retired, looking for female of any age/status for fun relationship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389132

DARK haired male, slim, blue eyes, fit, likes pubs, clubs, weekends away, seeks female, age/looks/status unimportant. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385087 §

IAN 43, single dad, likes rugby, motorsports, reading, history, cooking, walks, cinema, music, seeks kind, honest, sincere lady, 25-48. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 371955

CHARMING fit 41yr old professional male, seeks lively, caring companion for friendship and fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 359945 §

HANDSOME male, 41, tactile, romantic, likes meals out, days out, walks, nights in, seeks sensitive, intelligent female, 36-46 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 322561

SHROPSHIRE country businessman, 43 OHAC, seeks Shropshire lady 25-50 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370279 §

CHRIS attractive male, 42, 5ft 10ins, cuddly, dark hair, hazel eyes, likes days out, nights in, seeks attractive female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385243 §

BOB 61, seeks attractive younger lady for daytime meets. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385121

LOVELY caring gent, 64, seeks lady for lasting relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385025 §

GENUINE male, 54, own home, seeks female, any age for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 368871 §

PAUL young energetic 60yr old, seeks slim, attractive lady, 55-60 for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 376485

TOM 61, medium build, reasonable looks, with ties, seeks attractive, younger lady, 25-48 for exciting daytime fun. Status unimportant. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384771 §

JOHN 57, lonely, seeking female to share life with. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 377831 §

CLIVE 48, divorced, 2 children, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389158 §

MALE 50, fit, friendly, down to earth, seeks female for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 372407

JEFF 63, tall, fresh looking, fit, N/S, nice personality, seeks female. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384583

MALE 58, 5ft 8ins, medium build, short hair, GSOH, seeks female, 50-60 to share happiness and life with. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370649 §

TONY genuine professional male, 50, likes nights in/out, many interests, seeks genuine female for relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 373351

GENUINE male, 46, honest, caring, slim-medium build, many interests, seeks female for relationship. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 231090

GENUINE professional male, 50, many interests, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382849 §

IAN 5ft 10ins, 55, caring, honest, looking for sincere female with good personality, 45-55, enjoy being out, socialising, meals. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382997 §

MATURE male, seeks female for kisses, cuddles and naughty indoor fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 363253

MALE 36, likes pubs, clubs, seeks female for friendship/relationship. Carol please leave your mobile number again. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 263938

60'S MAmale, medium build, fit, high drive, seeks West Midlands lady who needs occasional male evening/weekend company. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 381307

THOUGHTFUL, adventurous, attractive guy, 37, OHAC, likes nights in/out, seeks attractive girl with similar interests. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 360663 §

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District
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Kidderminster & District League

Saturday Premier

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Netherthorpe	18	11	0	7	57	39	33
Claverley	17	10	2	5	50	30	32
Wyre Forest	17	10	2	5	50	30	32
Kings Heath	13	9	3	3	38	19	30
Birch Coppice	18	9	2	7	44	26	29
Two Gates	14	9	2	3	38	20	29
Dudley Wd Ath	16	9	1	6	45	38	28
Dudley Villa	13	8	3	9	39	27	27
Lodgefield Park	16	8	2	6	39	27	26
Burish Olympic	14	8	0	6	36	24	24
Claverley Colts	17	2	2	13	23	66	8
Castellon Rgrs	19	2	0	17	26	70	6

Sunday Premier

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Kingswinford	16	13	2	1	51	13	41
Grange Ath	14	10	2	2	50	20	32
Woodside Utd	13	10	2	3	38	9	32
Bromley	14	9	1	4	39	18	28
Franchise VIII	16	8	3	5	37	27	27
Horned	16	7	4	4	42	32	25
Oakham Utd	16	4	4	8	38	29	25
Harr Trust	15	7	1	7	29	30	22
Wolverley Ath	14	5	3	6	27	33	18
Alveley Social	16	3	5	8	21	37	14
Orton Vale	16	4	3	9	24	37	13
New Olympic	16	2	6	8	26	56	12
Wordsley AFC	15	3	1	11	24	44	10
Dudley Sports	15	0	0	15	10	71	0

Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Haden Rgrs	17	14	1	2	48	19	43
Caves	18	10	2	6	42	28	32
Phoenix Sports	11	9	0	2	37	12	27
Wilden Village	13	7	3	4	44	27	24
Stanton	13	7	0	3	33	27	21
Swan Bewdley	13	6	3	4	24	19	21
Sporting Hagley	14	9	2	3	46	21	19
Stour Park Rgrs	15	4	3	8	23	33	15
Wagon & Horse	15	4	3	8	31	50	15
Chainwire	16	4	2	10	21	41	14
Sporting Oak	13	3	2	8	21	32	11
Wt Sports	14	1	0	13	17	53	8
Bull & Bladder	12	1	0	11	16	46	3

Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Gornal Wood	14	12	2	0	80	19	38
S'bridge Rgrs	14	9	3	2	47	22	29
Wall Heath	16	8	2	6	35	31	26
New Inn Sports	19	8	1	10	57	57	13
T & S Units	19	3	1	15	29	18	54
Snooks	12	6	4	2	39	13	22
S'bridge Glass	14	6	3	5	30	36	21
Chaddesley C	14	6	2	6	29	34	20
Areley Kings	14	6	2	6	26	36	20
White Horse C	16	6	1	9	39	45	19
Alldred Top H	18	5	3	10	36	58	19
Calvy	15	5	2	9	29	32	17
Kewford Eagles	18	3	4	11	31	46	13
Gigmill	17	2	2	13	20	76	8

Division Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Royal Ex	16	15	1	0	68	17	46
Dudley	16	11	1	4	49	35	35
S'bridge Ath	16	11	1	4	37	32	31
Maypole Rgrs	18	10	0	8	47	42	29
Sporting Club	14	9	1	4	33	31	28
Darby End Ath	12	9	0	3	41	24	27
Bewdley Arches	18	6	4	8	53	37	22
Arley	14	6	1	7	38	43	19
Wordsley Lions	15	6	0	9	34	42	18
Plough Dukes	11	5	2	4	29	26	17
Wed Rose & C	11	5	1	5	33	38	15
Rock Sports	17	4	1	12	27	57	13
St West Rgrs	16	2	2	12	18	68	8
Wollaston C	14	2	1	11	22	55	6
Mostyn Rgrs	16	2	1	13	21	53	4

Division Four

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Neth'lon Colts S	14	14	0	0	97	6	42
Lakeside Utd	18	10	5	3	36	24	35
Labour in Vain	17	10	2	5	55	39	32
Withymoor	16	10	2	4	42	31	32
Pockels	16	8	5	5	45	29	29
Wilden Vill Rgs	17	7	5	5	45	36	28
S'bridge G W	16	8	2	6	42	41	26
Snooks Ath	19	8	0	11	36	61	24
Fendale	17	6	4	7	28	30	22
Wolverley Soc	16	6	4	6	46	22	22
Netherthorpe	16	5	6	5	40	53	20
Wyre Forest	17	6	2	9	43	62	20
Waston Rgrs	19	10	1	0	40	45	20
Unity	15	3	5	7	41	40	14
Clarks	18	3	2	13	22	53	11
Vici Bar	19	3	1	15	31	79	6

Division Five

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Tap House	18	16	1	1	76	18	49
Aberley Vale	16	11	4	1	54	24	34
Queens Head	15	10	1	4	41	20	31
Nth Wollaston	14	8	3	3	44	17	27
Arley Kings	11	8	3	2	23	10	25
Preston 2010	15	7	3	4	29	24	24
Star 07	18	6	4	8	47	32	22
Harr Arms	15	6	2	7	30	28	20
King Billy	14	5	4	5	41	31	19
Hillgrove	16	6	1	9	27	41	19
Hamilton Rgrs	16	5	3	8	35	35	18
W Moor West	17	3	2	12	21	54	11
Royal Elms	15	3	1	11	22	45	8
Hela	11	4	5	2	29	18	5
Forest Rgrs	17	1	0	16	4	136	3

Uni women teach Stourport a lesson

Birmingham University 4 Stourport 2

STOURPORT ladies hockey firsts may have wished that the bad weather had continued for another week as their unbeaten run finally came to an end.

Defeat to Birmingham University seconds also knocked Stourport off top spot in the Midland Premier League.

They had led the match through a Jodi Vincent goal from a short corner.

But the home team pulled clear at 3-1 in the second period and despite Vincent reducing the arrears with another short corner goal, Birmingham added a fourth

to take the points. Stourport began well with some good through balls from Kerry Maughan and Sophie Harris finding their way to the forward line.

The visitors had various chances in front of goal with both Lora Symonds and Sade Gerald denied by the Birmingham keeper.

It was Stourport who won the first short corner of the match, with the resultant strike from Vincent parried away by the keeper.

Harris, too, had chances as she

broke away getting her side out of trouble at the back, using Georgi Burns to link to the forwards.

Stourport took the lead following a switch of play down the right with a pass from Heidi Devey to Harriet Burns who burst down the wing, tied the Birmingham defence in knots and was rewarded with a short corner which Vincent converted with a thunderous first-time shot.

Stourport allowed their hosts to come back at them, but the visitors held firm frustrating the Univer-

sity side with fine defensive play by Maughan, Harris and Katie Miller.

However, they couldn't keep their hosts out with the home side scoring an equaliser before the break.

Stourport soon found themselves on the back foot in the second half, quickly falling 2-1 behind.

Mistimed

The goal came when Birmingham broke through the middle of the defence and slotted the ball into goal.

The hosts continued to pressure, winning a short corner which saw

them extend their lead further to 3-1.

Rene Johnson and Pippa Lewis tried to use their skills to create chances to get the visitors back into the match.

Stourport pulled a goal back through Vincent with another first-time strike from a short corner, despite being reduced to 10 players after a mistimed tackle saw Harriet Burns yellow-carded.

However, the visitors were stopped in their tracks shortly afterwards by another goal from the home side which put the match beyond reach.

Hockey
ladies in
win over
Telford

Telford 2 Stourport 4

STOURPORT ladies seconds had put up with an enforced two-match break due to the poor weather but they returned with an emphatic win in this Midland Premier West League encounter.

A strike from Fran Moss at a short corner set the visitors on their way. This was followed by goals by Kerry Walker and Suzanne Symonds giving Stourport a 3-0 advantage at the break.

Another goal by Nicola Moss after she'd beaten the keeper in a one-on-one rounded off the scoring for the visitors although the hosts did manage to score two of their own.

Stourport's player of the match was Kerry Walker.

Stourport 0 Tenbury 3

Stourport thirds suffered a defeat when they hosted fourth-placed Tenbury in the Worcs First Division.

Stourport 2 Harborne 1

The fourths, also back after a two-week break, managed to win a game between evenly-matched sides.

Neither was able to break the deadlock before half-time in this Worcs Second Division fixture.

In the second period Stourport managed to break through Harborne's defence from two short corners. The first was converted by Leanne Stysaker, Rosie Connolly added a second.

The Birmingham side didn't give up, ensuring that Stourport keeper Lily Harrison-Perkins had to make excellent saves to keep the home side in the lead.

Not even player of the match Harrison-Perkins could prevent Harborne from pulling a goal back.

Redditch 0 Stourport 0

With Redditch just one place above Stourport fifths in the Worcs Third Division table this was expected to be a close match, and so it proved.

Despite Stourport finding themselves at times blinded by rain and hail, they had better opportunities than they had in the first half, leaving Redditch to create chances on the break.

Stourport even managed to put the ball into the Redditch goal twice within five minutes of each other, but both were ruled out.

For the first strike the ball was adjudged too high. With the second, the whistle had already blown for a second short corner before the ball had crossed the line.

Super-sub's late strike
grabs Harriers a point

A STEVE GUINAN goal just two minutes from time salvaged a valuable Blue Square Bet Premier point for Kidderminster Harriers on Saturday.

The Imps had taken a first-half lead through Jefferson Louis before super-sub Guinan struck to stretch Harriers' unbeaten home league run to nine matches.

But it also meant Steve Burr's boys had pocketed just two points from their three league games as they approached Tuesday's match at home to title-chasing Wrexham.

Boss Burr, whose troops triumphed 1-0 at Sincil Bank in August, felt his side deserved to complete a double over the struggling visitors.

He said: "It was a late goal but it was no more than we deserved. I thought we were the best side throughout the game, but it looked as if we weren't going to score.

"I'm really disappointed we didn't take the three points."

Frustrate

Harriers midfielder Dan Bradley had a long-range drive tipped over by goalkeeper Joe Anyon and striker Jamille Matt failed to convert a headed opportunity before Lincoln won ahead on 21 minutes. Louis scored with a glancing close-range header after the defence had failed to deal Louis Almond's free-kick.

Lincoln managed to hold on to their slender lead until half-time and continued to frustrate their former Football League opponents after the break with a dogged defensive display.

On 69 minutes Nick

Kidderminster 1
Lincoln 1

Wright had a goal disallowed for a foul while new signing Ryan Rowe missed the chance of scoring on his debut by heading wide a cross from the hard-working Lee Hendrie.

Rowe had been drafted on just before the break as a replacement for injured newcomer Marvin Johnson, who was called up for his league debut.

Lincoln finally cracked in stoppage time when Guinan drilled in a low shot after being brought on as an 87th-minute substitute for Matt.

It prevented Harriers from losing their first home league game since October 8, when they went down 2-1 to high-flying Luton Town.

Harriers: Breckers; Vaughan, Williams, Jones, Demetriou; Bradley, Storer (Vincent, 87), Hendrie; Johnson (Rowe, Johnson, 44), Matt (Guinan, 87), Wright. Subs not used: Lyness, Briscoe.

Lincoln: Anyon; Bore, Williams, Gowing, Nutter; Christophe, Thompson, Power, Rodney (Pasquette, 61), Louis (Russell, 76), Almond. Subs not used: Draper, Nicolau, Platt.



Kidderminster Harriers substitute Steve Guinan celebrates his late Aggborough goal. Picture: Patrick Mulvaney

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Club duo jump in with best work yet

MEMBERS of Wyre Forest Trampoline Club bounced into the new season with an excellent start at both regional and national level.

Sophie Allan, 21, and Taymar Pearce-Mason, 13, both ended last year fourth in the West Midlands over and under-15 sections.

In Hatfield, Hertfordshire, at the Midlands National competition, Pearce-Mason set a personal best and missed out on a qualifying spot for the British National Championships by just two places.

Allan had a good competition but missed national qualification. However, she found her best form at Bath in the Southern National event employing a new voluntary and set routine, both more difficult. She completed both in fine style to post a personal best of 51.40pts and qualify for the nationals in July.

Debut

Wyre Forest also did well at the regional qualifiers with many members making their competition debut while several of more experienced performers grabbed qualification for the next grade, placed in the top five.

Liz Hollis, 15, a new qualifier, just missed out moving up again due to an incomplete first routine. Sophie Janecey, 13, back in action after a one-year injury absence, qualified for the next grade by beating the qualifying mark but missed out on an under-15 medal.

Sophie Gardner, eight, won the under-11 girls Grade G with a personal best that qualified her for the next group.

Two Wyre Forest boys got among the medals, Frankie Blincoe-Deval, 10, was third overall in the Grade G under-15 section. Aidan Pressnail, 10, took second place on debut.

Big weekend for Stourport

STOURPORT ladies firsts hockey team face a big weekend after losing their unbeaten record in the Midland Premier League.

They lost 4-2 at Birmingham University seconds and fell to third in the table.

But Stourport can turn things round this weekend when they face both of the top two sides.

They host new leaders Matlock on Saturday (10am) and second-placed Beeston the following day (time to be fixed).

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Depleted KCs give Barkers' a battle

Kidderminster Carolians 17 Barkers' Butts 32

KIDDERMINSTER, missing five first team regulars, came out of this match with their heads held high after giving the Midlands Two West (South) leaders a run for their money. Carolians played without fear, taking the game to the visitors, *writes Martin Easton.*

After 10 minutes they went ahead. A penalty by full-back Andy McLellan from the 22-metre line struck a post but the potential three points quickly became five when Barkers' clearance was fielded by skipper Stu Such, who ran the ball back to fly-half Chris Pinner for a try in the corner.

KCs continued to recycle the ball well but with 17 minutes played their backs were caught offside 30 metres in front of the posts and the visitors' centre, Nathan Tilsley, knocked over the penalty. Barkers' were coming more into the game and on 25 minutes set up a rolling maul from a lineout

before releasing the ball to their three-quarters for a move stopped by a home knock-on. From the resultant scrum, fragile tackling allowed the visitors' fly-half Tom Stokes to run in a try and Tilsley added the extras for 10-5. Not surprisingly, KCs' depleted scrum was coming under pressure and had a let-off when Barkers' lost the ball over the tryline.

Carolians finished the half with a flourish when a tremendous surge by No.8 Rob Delahay ignited a 60-metre counter-attack which got up to, but not over, the whitewash. The second half saw Carolians come under pressure from a rolling maul but for the second time the visitors knocked on when over the line. KCs enjoyed a 20-minute spell in which they played some of their best rugby of the season, inspired by Delahay

who repeatedly made valuable yards from the back of a retreating scrum. Firstly he broke from a set-piece on the home five-metre line and, with McLellan in support, launched a counter-attack which rocked Barkers' back on their heels.

Breakout

The No.8 then sparked another breakout and the increasingly beleaguered visitors could halt the momentum only with a hand in a ruck which saw their tighthead prop yellow carded.

Roared on by the large President's Day crowd, KCs continued to play thrilling rugby and terrific handling by Pinner and McLellan almost created a try. But Carolians did score when another flowing attack, spearheaded by wing Will Varley in midfield, cul-

minated in a try under the posts for McLellan, which he converted to edge Kidderminster in front 12-10.

KCs were not clinical enough and Barkers' rode out the storm. The table-toppers showed resilience and cashed in when KCs' forwards began to tire. Another rolling maul was finished off by second row Gareth Collins for a try excellently converted from wide out by Tilsley who then added a close-range penalty. Centre Aaron Newman's try, again converted by Tilsley, established a decisive 27-12 lead. A try for wing Martin McPhilmey gave the scoreline a harsh look. But KCs did add a try by flanker Tom Such after a series of drives.

Kidderminster's U16 side, in their first match for weeks, took a hard-fought 24-5 victory at Bridgnorth. Thirteen points from Dave Bisset, who converted his own try and landed a late penalty, ensured a fine victory.

ROWE SO HAPPY AS HARRIERS NEW BOY

KIDDERMINSTER Harriers new-boy Ryan Rowe has admitted the time was right to "move on" from Stourbridge after completing his switch to Aggborough.

Harriers finally landed their man last week after a chase that started last summer and now gives Rowe the chance to play full-time football for the first time.

It took a five-figure transfer fee to prise him away from the Glassboys and Harriers, who made four offers for the player, handed him a two-and-a-half-year deal.

The 23-year-old has given up his job as a road worker in the process after shooting to prominence with Gary Hackett's men during this season's FA Cup run.

Football League clubs were also registering an interest in the striker, who scored 73 goals in 146 games for Stourbridge, and Forest Green were also interested.

Leaders

But Harriers made a firm offer and Rowe insists that working under boss Steve Burr and assistant Gary Whild was his first choice outside the Football League.

"Over the last month there has been a lot of speculation about where I was going," he said.

"It was a big relief and it lifts a bit of a weight off my shoulders, because I've wanted to move on and I'm glad it's happened.

"I'm a local lad and I made it clear to the gaffer and Gary once I spoke to them that, certainly in this league, this is the only club I wanted to sign for.

"Now I'm here, I can at

by Craig Birch

least concentrate on my football, get my head down, work hard and do the business on the pitch."

While Rowe's Aggborough career is just beginning, Scott Phelan's appears to be over after he extended his loan at Vauxhall Motors until the end of the season.

Phelan will be out of contract in the summer and could have kicked his last ball for the Harriers after just 15 appearances.

Kidderminster have also allowed another midfielder, Jack Cresswell, to join Evo-Stik Northern Premier League side Chasetown on a month's loan.

Defender Tom Marshall has extended his loan, staying at Evo-Stik Southern Premier League leaders Brackley for a second month.

And Rowe's arrival has spelled the end for Marc Williams, who was released just 24 hours before Rowe arrived last Friday.

Samurai juniors join the judo gold rush

JUST a week after taking six golds to top the medals table at their own open event, the Kidderminster Samurai juniors did even better at Coventry where they took eight golds, six silvers and four bronzes to top a 20-club table.

Cameron Hobby got Samurai off to a flying start with gold in the lightest boys category, edging out a Market Harborough player in the final.

James Wall had a bit of a marathon but three fine wins put him into the final of his category where he was edged out by a Rutland player.

Aiden Preedy added another silver in the next category, with two good wins taking him to the final.

Jake Humphreys looks better every time he steps on the mat and five superb wins out of five, all by maximum points, gave him the gold.

The girls lower grades were even more successful. Leah Grosvenor started off with a series of good wins taking her into the final before defeat to a High Wycombe girl left her with the silver medal.

Impressive

In the next weight group up, Nancy Palfreyman carved up one side of the draw while Toni Poulson went through the other side, making it an all-Samurai final won by Palfreyman.

Hetty Tinsdale stormed to gold with maximum point wins, then Becky Hobby comfortably defeated all of her opponents to make it three golds for the girls.

Nathan Gallacher and Matthew Hemer met in the final of the lightest boys higher grades category, with the former taking gold.

Bryony Griffiths stepped onto the mat with Samurai joint leaders on the overall medal table. She soon gave Samurai the edge by taking gold comfortably in her own weight category, and then added a bonus by entering the next weight group as well and taking gold there too.

Hobby, having already won the lower grades section, also entered the higher grades and did well, with three good maximum point wins on her way to a silver.

This was an impressive performance by Samurai juniors – probably the best group the club has had for a decade.



Samurai's Leah Grosvenor, right, gets to grips with one of her judo opponents. Picture: DE Photos.

Results and fixtures

Kidderminster & District

Saturday results
Kidderminster R 1 Arley Kings 5; Claverley Colts 1 Kinvor 6; Lodgefield Pk 2 Birch Coppice 1; Netherton A 6 Orton Vale 0; Oldswinford H 1 Two Gates 6; Wyre F 6 Claverley 1

Sunday results
Premier: Arley Kings 2 New Olympic 2; Dudley Sp 0 Horved 5; Wolverley A 0 Orton Vale 0; Wordsley 3 Kingswinford 5

Division 1: Caves 3 Wilden Village 2; Haden R 3 Chalfinville 0; Stour Pk R 3 Waggon & Horses 3; Swan Bewdley 1

Division 2: Chaddesley Corbett 3 Athletic Top House 2; Kewford Eagles 1

Division 3: Arley 1 Dudley 6; Darby End 4th 3 Sporting C 1; Maypole Rgrs 3

Division 4: Clarks 2 Netherton 2; Labour in Van 7; Unity 6 Vizi Bar 1; Wilden

Division 5: HETA 3 Hamilton R 4; Hillgrove 1 Abbeyley Vale 5; Preston 2010 3

Division 6: Royal Exchange Res 2 Tap House 6; Star 07 2 Withymoor W 2

Division 7: Kings Billy 4

Sunday League Junior Cup Round 2: Girmil 2 Stourbridge Glassboys 4

Kidderminster Hospital Sunday

Junior Cup Round 3: Bull & Bladder 1 Bromley 3; Golden Lion Ath 2 Harriers Trust 3; Phoenix Sp 6 TS Units 2; Wordsley Utd 5 La Curnana 2

Minor Cup Round 3: Arley Kings Res 0 Stourbridge Ath 2; Netherton Colts Sen 4

Division 1: Bull & Bladder v Stour Park R; Sporting Hagley v Haden R; Sporting

Division 2: Athletic TH v Kewford Eagles; Gally v TS Units; Girmil v Wall

Division 3: Dudley v Wollaton Celtic; Queens Head v Star 07; The Brit Wollaton v Abbeyley Vale

Division 4: Clarks v Stour Glassboys West; Ferndale v Netherton Colts Sen; Labour in Van v Netherton; Snooks Ath v

Division 5: Withymoor v Wyre Forest H; Wollaton Lions v Lakeside Utd; Wolverley So v Wilden Vill Res

Division 6: Forest Rgrs v Hamilton Rgrs; Harriers Arms v Withymoor West; Heta v Tap House; King Billy v Hillgrove

Division 7: Kings Billy v Hillgrove; Preston 2010 v Royal Exchange Res; Queens Head v Star 07; The Brit Wollaton v Abbeyley Vale

Kidderminster Hospital Sun Minor

Cup Round 3: Snooks v Stourbridge Rgrs; Sporting Club v Pockets

Worcs FA Sun Junior Cup Semi

Finals: Chaddesley Corbett v Wilden Village; Red Horse v Phoenix Sports

Worcs FA Sun Junior Cup Quarter

Finals: Arley Kings Res v Evensham WMC; Darby End Ath v Ipsley AFC

Worcs FA Sun Junior Cup

Finals: Arley Kings Res v Arley; Plough Dukes v Brewsters AFC

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